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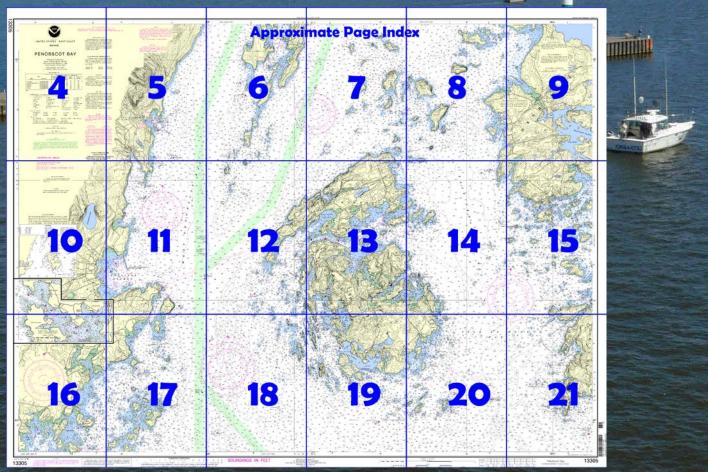
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## Penobscot Bay NOAA Chart 13305

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#### What is a BookletChart<sup>™</sup>?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

Whenever possible, use the official, full scale NOAA nautical chart for navigation. Nautical chart sales agents are listed on the Internet at http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov.

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#### **Notice to Mariners Correction Status**

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(Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)
Merchant Row is a passage from Jericho Bay
to East Penobscot Bay between the islands
and ledges between Deer Isle and Isle au
Haut. This passage is used by vessels in
winter when Deer Island Thorofare is closed
by ice, and by deep-draft vessels at all times.
It is not quite as direct as Deer Island
Thorofare, but the channel is wider and much
deeper. There are numerous ledges and rocks
on both sides of the passage, but the

principal dangers are marked by buoys or daybeacons and the channel can be readily followed in clear weather and daylight.

Deep-draft vessels can enter from the eastward through Toothacher
Bay, the passage between Marshall and Swans Islands, through the

channels between Marshall Island and Isle au Haut, or from Jericho Bay. Close attention should be given to the chart and the aids, with due regard for unmarked dangers. The description of the dangers, when entering Merchant Row from the southwestward in Isle au Haut Bay, is given later in this chapter.

The islands and reefs on the north side of Merchant Row, including many of those in the channel, have been previously described under chart 13315. In fact, Merchant Row could be navigated on that chart for the greater part, but it is better to use charts 13313 and 13305, which, although on a smaller scale, show the islands and reefs on both sides of the channel as well as the approaches. There are two entrances to Merchant Row from the eastward which are separated by the islands and reefs in Jericho Bay.

In the eastern approach to Merchant Row, south of Halibut Rocks and west of Marshall Island, a series of islands and reefs extend to the eastern entrance to the passage. Southern Mark Island, 2.1 miles southwest of Halibut Rocks, is about 30 feet high and grassy. About 1 mile south of Southern Mark Island is Fog Island, which is wooded. The numerous ledges east of Fog Island, and between it and Marshall Island, are mostly all bare. The more important of these, since they are closest to the channels, are North Popplestone Ledge and Saddleback on the north, and Green Ledge, White Ledge, and Drunkard Ledge to the south. Saddleback, 1.4 miles east-southeast of Southern Mark Island, in the summer shows some grass on its two conspicuous humps. Torrey Ledge, covered 17 feet, about 0.6 mile southward of Drunkard Ledge, is unmarked. Blue Hill Rock, covered 7 feet and about 1.2 miles eastward of Green Ledge, is marked on its southeast side by a buoy. Of the other islands and ledges on the south side of Merchant Row, Burnt Island, Pell Island, Bills Island, Merchant Island, and Ewe Island are wooded; Hardwood Island is round and heavily wooded; and Ram Island, 0.3 mile southwestward of Hardwood Island, is wooded. Channel Rock, 0.5 mile westward of Ram Island, uncovers 9 feet and is unmarked. Ram Island Ledge, awash at low water, about 400 yards southeastward of Channel Rock, is also unmarked. Scraggy Ledge is a bare ledge 700 yards westward of Channel Rock. There is foul ground between Scraggy Ledge and West Halibut Ledges, bare ledges 0.3 mile northward. Outer Scrag Ledge, 1 mile northwestward of Scraggy Ledge, is 4 feet high. The Brown Cow, 1 mile northwestward of Outer Scrag Ledge, is a ledge with a rock 3 feet high on it, and is the westernmost danger at the western end of Merchant Row. A whistle buoy, about 0.6 mile south-southwestward of The Brown Cow, marks the western entrance to Merchant Row.

The U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port, Sector Northern New England, in cooperation with the Maine and New Hampshire Port Safety Forum, has established a Recommended Vessel Route for deep draft vessels entering and departing Penobscot Bay and River. Deep draft vessels are requested to follow the designated routes. These routes were designed to provide safe, established routes for increased deep draft vessels, to prevent the loss of fishing gear placed in the waters in the approaches to Penobscot Bay and River, and to reduce the potential for conflicts between less maneuverable deep draft commercial vessels and all other vessels navigating upon these waters. Vessels are responsible for their own safety and are not required to remain inside the route nor are fisherman required to keep fishing gear outside of the 0.4 mile wide route.

#### U.S. Coast Guard Rescue Coordination Center 24 hour Regional Contact for Emergencies

RCC Boston Commander

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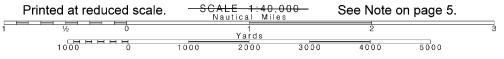
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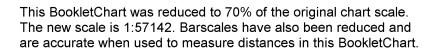
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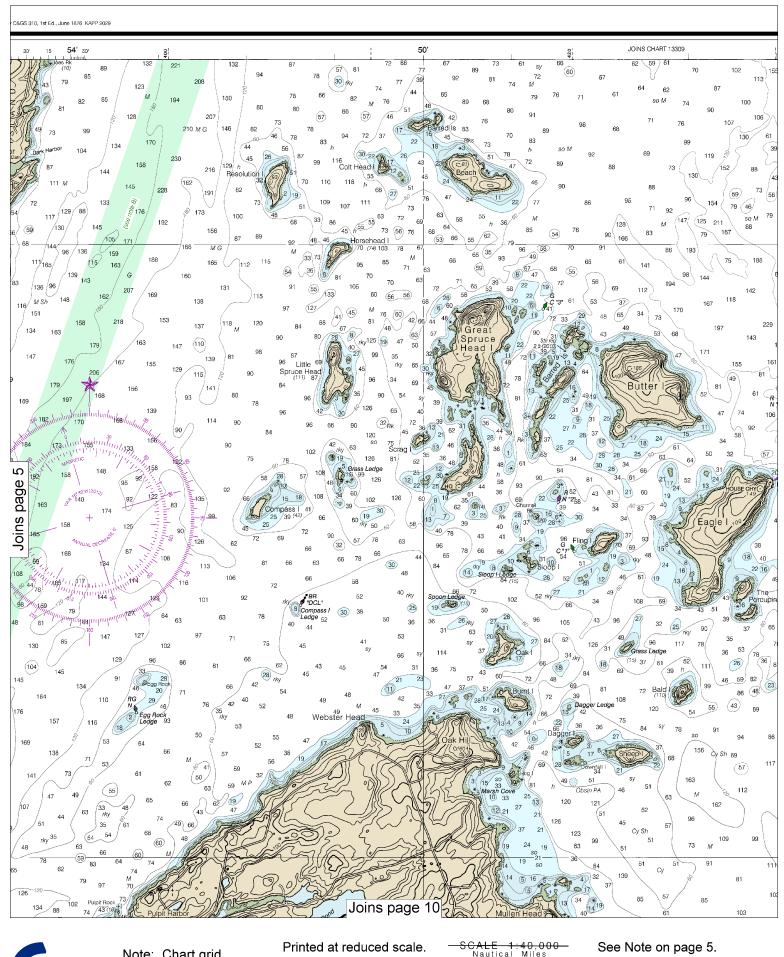
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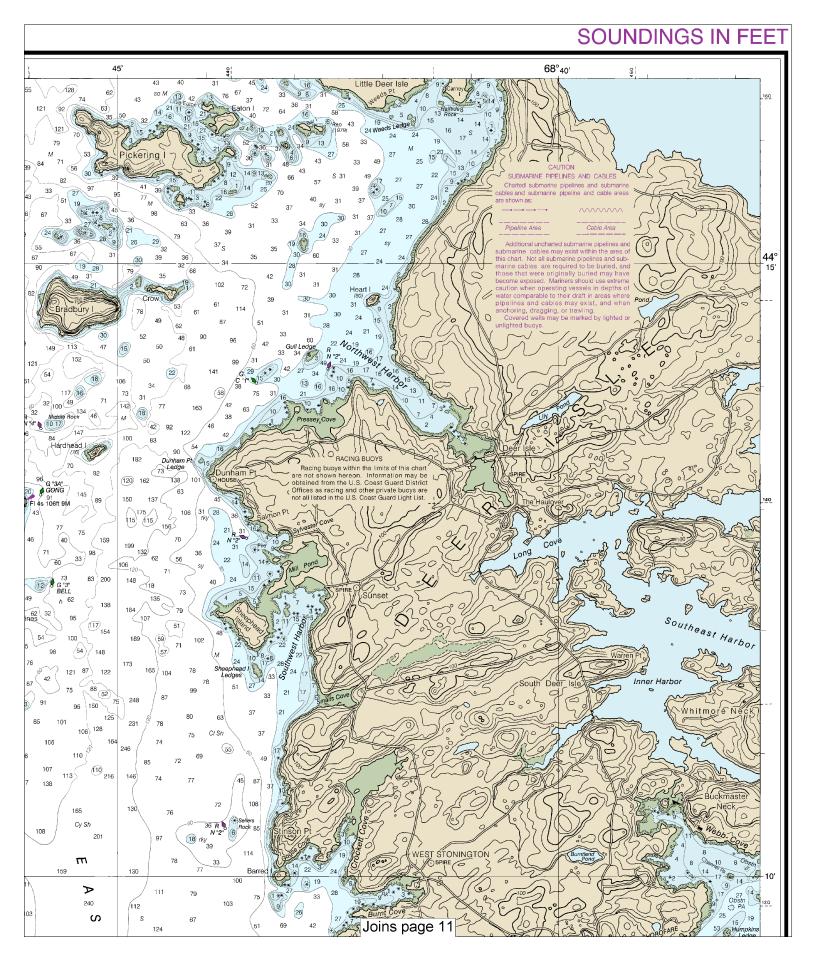


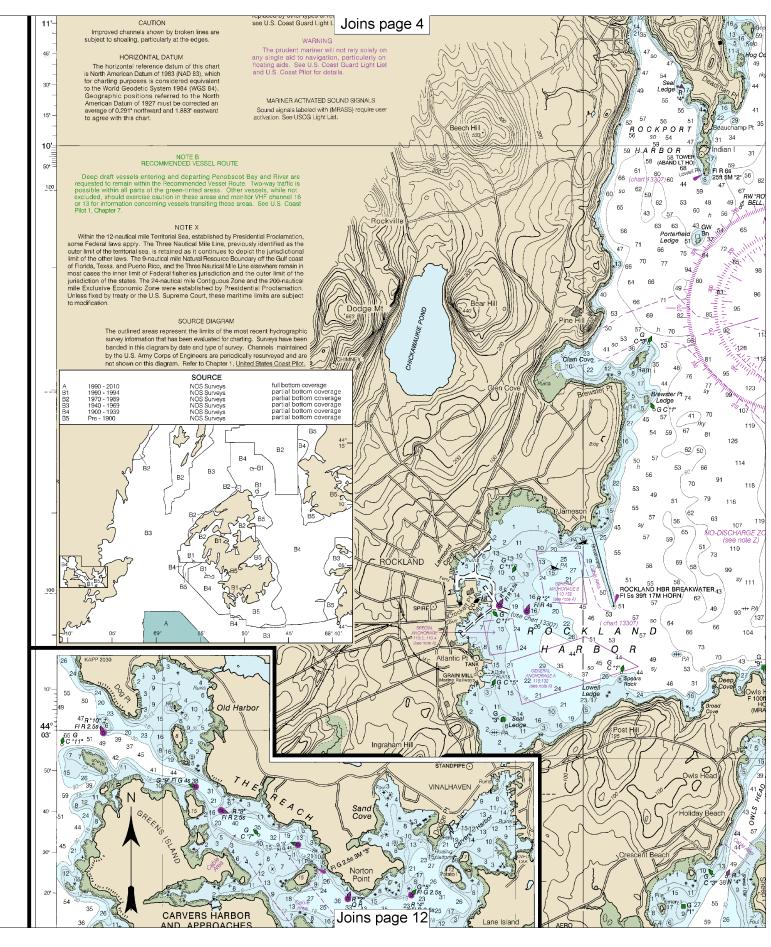






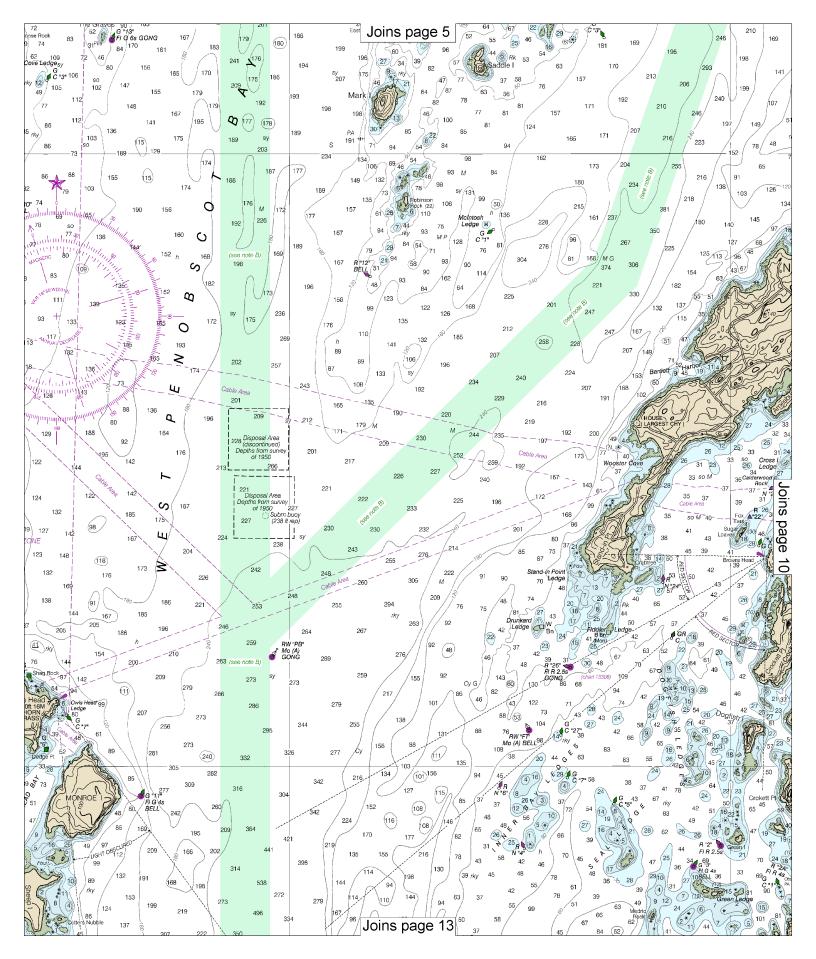




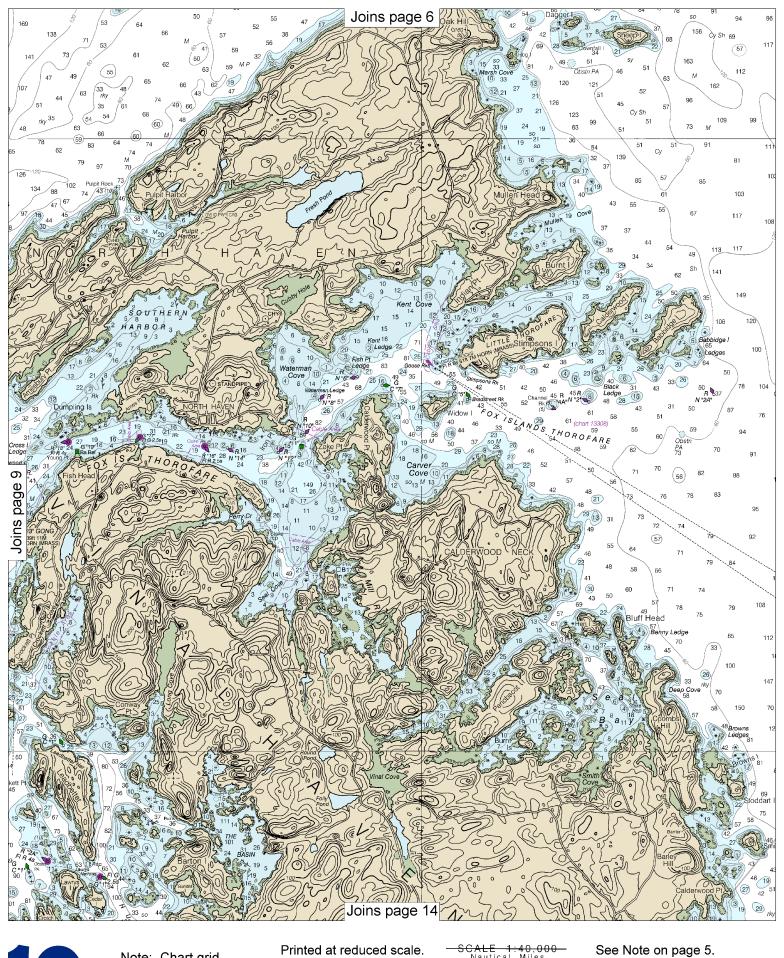




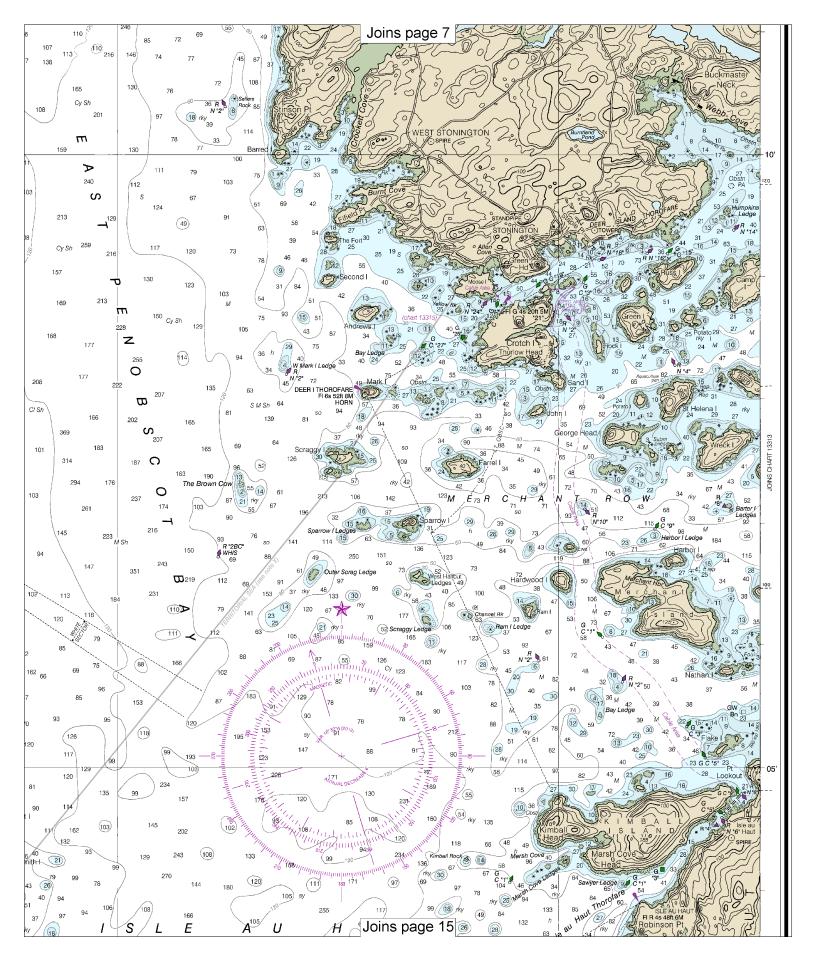


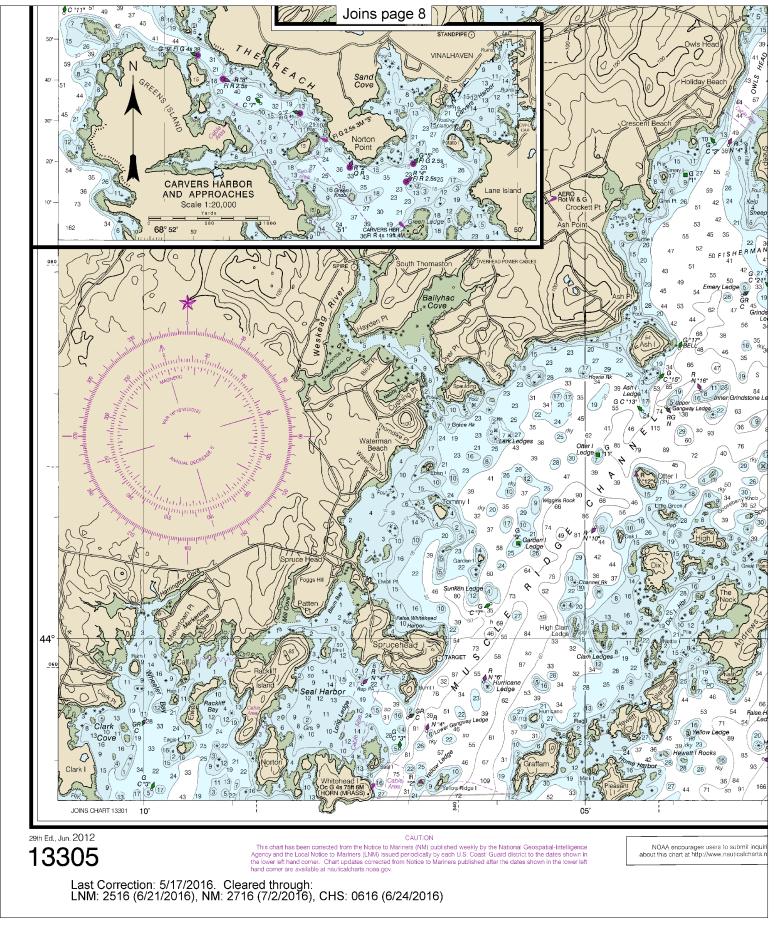




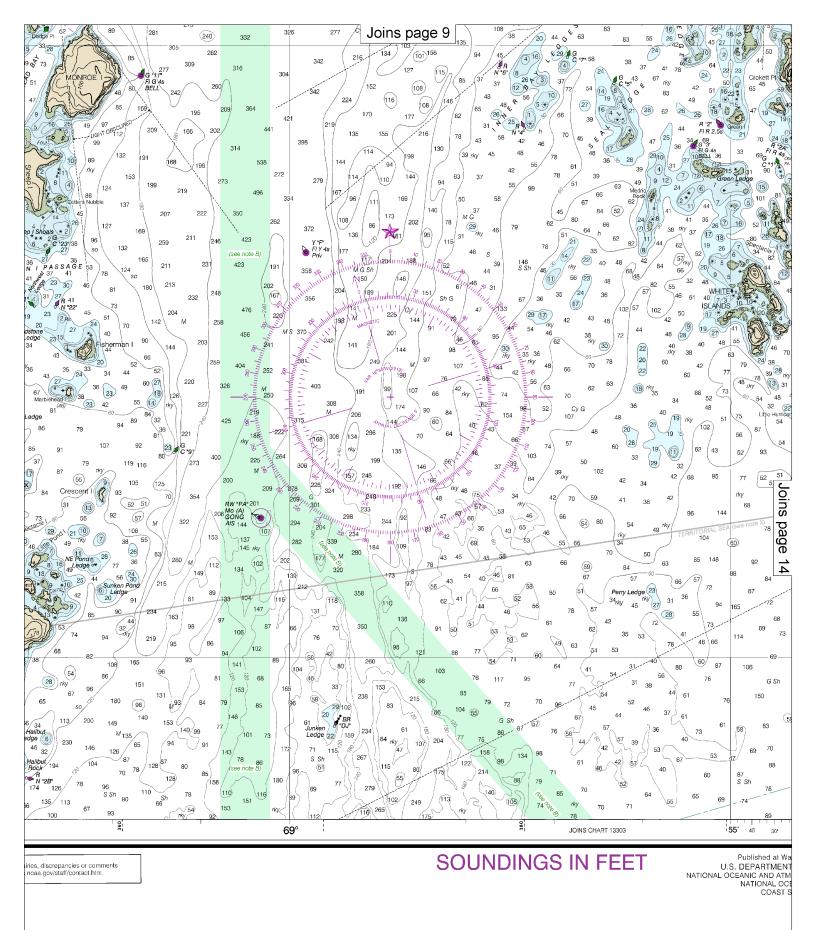


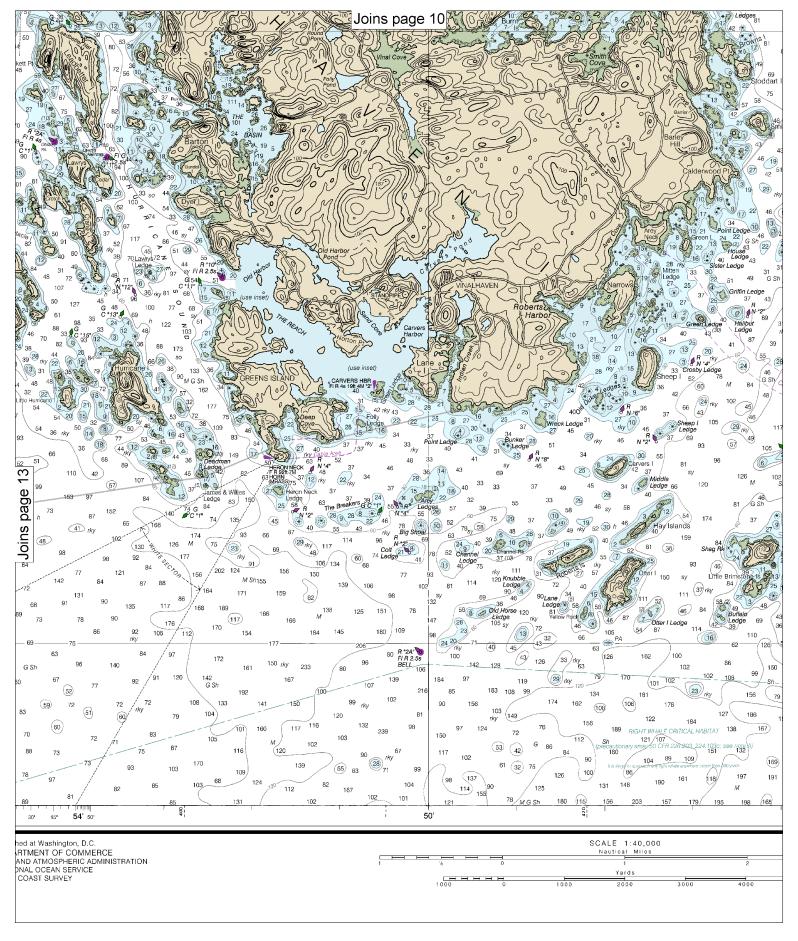




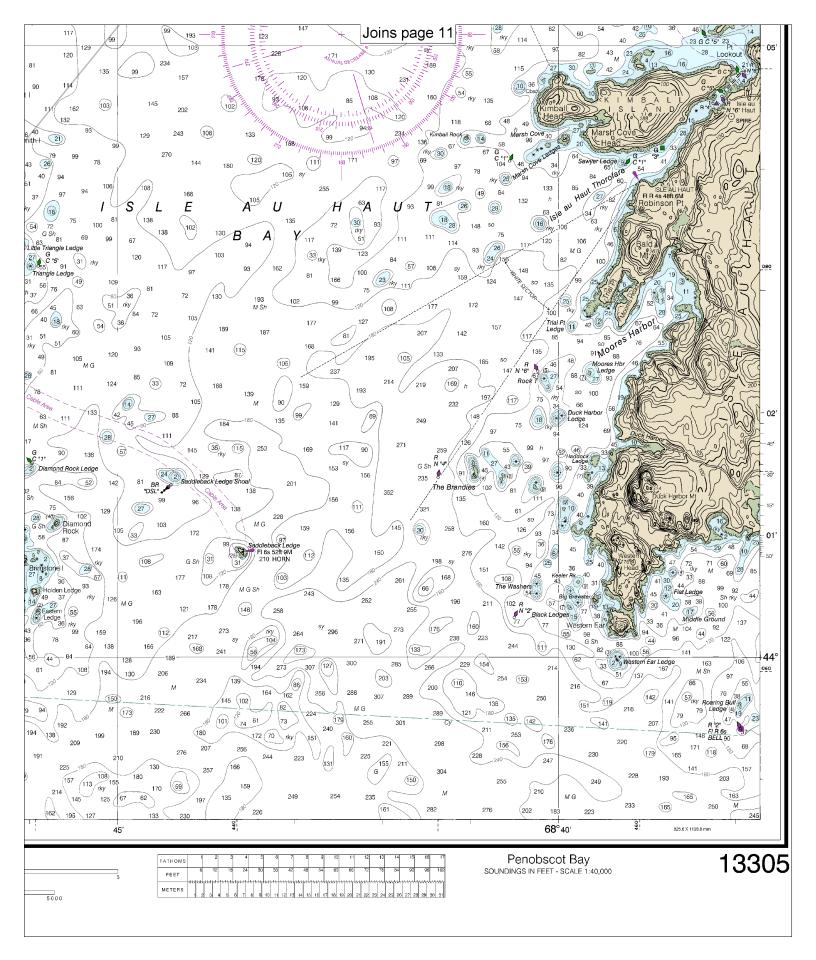








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#### VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

**Channel 6** – Inter-ship safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

**Channel 16** – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other

vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here. Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A – Recreational boat channels.

**Getting and Giving Help** — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

#### **Distress Call Procedures**

- Make sure radio is on.
- Select Channel 16.
- Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of

Emergency; Number of People on Board.

- · Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!



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